

**SPRING SING** 

(Herald photo)

"I'm quite suire a good

lawyer could get a ruling on

store owner if he were to take

us to court," Coun. Biehn

commented. As a matter of

fact, he wouldn't even have to

Coun. Biehn said he feels a

compromise can be reached

whereby any signs torn down

or destroyed would have to be

reconstructed according to the

town's by-law, but could re-

Since Acton and the former

Township of Esquesing had no

sign bylaws previously, all

existing signs would be legal

non-conforming and subject to

the same provisions as those in

Another concern of the

Chamber was the present re-

striction on the size of signs

allowed. Under the present

wording of the bylaw, large

stores like Loblaws would have

far too much square footage

the present bylaw," Mr. Law-

ton claimed. "Are you going

"Lohlaws won't conform to

be a good lawyer."

main the same.

Georgetown.

for signs.

The Stewarttown Senior Public School Choir held a "Spring Sing" last week at Knox Presbyterian Church. The 40-voice choir performed such numbers as Swing Low Sweet Charlot, Has Anybody Seen My Gal, and This Old Man, for an appreclative

audience of parents, friends and music-lovers. The choir has been practising every week since September, and has sung for all the schools whose students will attend Stewarttown, and for the trustees of the Halton board of education.

(OMB) for a review.

residents, but said he felt the best solution is to sit down with the developers and discuss the problem

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NEED DEVELOPERS "If they were to show that the complaint is legitimate and rational and then the bylaw was repealed, it would not undermine the credibility of Halton Hills," he said. "We need developers to know thatthis is a good area to come to."

"These people want concrete action," Coun. Booth maintained. "Let's repeal the bylaw and if the developer isn't satisfied, he can tak his case to the Ontario Municipal Board

to ask them to take off their

'Where the price is right' sign?

large store with a store like

(Mayor Pete Pomeroy's)

Coun. Harry Levy noted that

council has been under the gun

for seven years to do some-

thing about the mess caused by

"A lot of signs shouldn't be

there," Coun, Levy contends.

"Many went up illegally and

Coun. Roy Booth said he

"Some signs are illegal, I

feels Halton Hills' signs aren't

agree, and they should come

down, but we're not exactly sin

city," he said. "We could

become that way if we didn't

Town staff had reported to

council that they are satisfied

the square footage for signs

provided for in the bylaw is a

reasonable standard, but offer

no objection to the footage

The committee agreed with

Mr. Lawton's suggestion that

have the sign bylaw."

being increased.

North Halton Sports."

illegal signs in town.

should come down.

all that bad.

land. That is definitely against regional and town policy."

'We originally approved the bylaw for the developer because we felt sorry for him and thought that this was the easiest way to go. If this is supposed to cause the least amount of trouble. I'd hate like bell to see the rest of his plans for development."

Coun. Walter Biehn agreed. saying "we don't really need a public meeting, we've got all the objections here."

'It seems obvious to me that some of their objections simply can't be overcome," Coun. Biehn said. "The lighting will disturb residents, that's obvious, and the site for the range is on prime agricultural

such a move would be merely a

"bandaid solution" to the issue

and decided that no change

would be mad to the square

WHEELS II

at the community centre in Norval. Mothew and Damien Scanlon

attended the sale with their mother Susan who claimed she was

at the sale to buy things for herself but couldn't resist the

These two lads came away from the Opti-Mrs. flea market

footage requirements.

bargains on kids' toys.

OMB hearing on the matter. Mr. Venditti replied in the affirmative. "We already voted for this and if we repeal the bylaw

Coun. Harry Levy asked

town planner Mario Venditti

whether the town has a strong

case if the developer seeks an

without a public hearing, the OMB might hang us," Coun. Armstrong objected. "With a public hearing, we will be going the proper route and I really don't think there is any other way."

ONLY SUPPORT However, Coun. Armstrong could only garner support from councillors Patterson and Ed Wood for the hearing.

first place, Coun. Booth asked that it be repealed. "Let's not be so pious," he

Saying the approval of the

bylaw was premature in the

said. "We goofed, so let's admit it."

"You can be sure the developer is going to be informed of this committee's recommendation and he'll be at the council meeting next Monday," Coun. Armstrong warned. "Then we'll have to listen to his side of the story as well."



Dan Matthews, an 8th Line resident concerned about a range

Carolyn and Debbie McConnell were presented with Canada Cords, the guiding movement's highest honor, Thursday





#### HIGH KICKING

This young lady kicks the ball in a game of baseball that uses a soccer ball instead of a bat and ball. That was one of the many games played by 120 brownies and Guides from east

### Review sewer surcharge

A review of the existing two-price structure for water and sewer surcharges was approved by Halton regional council last Wednesday. At present, industry pays less per gallon as it uses more gallons while residential users pay more per gallon used. Many councillors said they felt the different rates are inequitable, saying that residents of Halton are subsidizing industry under the present system. Rates for residential customers are increased if they use over 10,000 gallons while industrial commercial customers using more than 200,000 gallons a month receive reduced

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## Sign bylaw closer to reality as retroactive clause deleted

this clause favorable to the I think not. You can't equate a

By STEPHEN FROST

Herald Staff Writer Efforts by the town's general committee have brought the controversial draft sign bylaw substantially closer to adop-

The committee managed Monday night to resolve a major problem with the bylaw's anticipated impact upon existing commercial signs by recommending the deletion of a retroactive clause requiring non-conforming signs to be changed within five year's of the bylaw's adoption.

The recommendation came after Murray Lawton of the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce pointed out that the requirement to change signs would be unfair to store owners whose signs were approved by the former town of Georgetown. Stipulations in the new bylaw restrict the size and placement of commercial signs considerably, he noted.

"We do want a by-law governing the construction of signs in this town," Mr. Lawton claimed, "but we feel that after council approved a sign several years ago and the store owner went out and did the job properly you shouldn't ask him to tear it down."

Coun. Walter Biehn agreed with Mr. Lawton, saying he doesn't think the town is on solid legal footing as far as the retroactive clause is concern-



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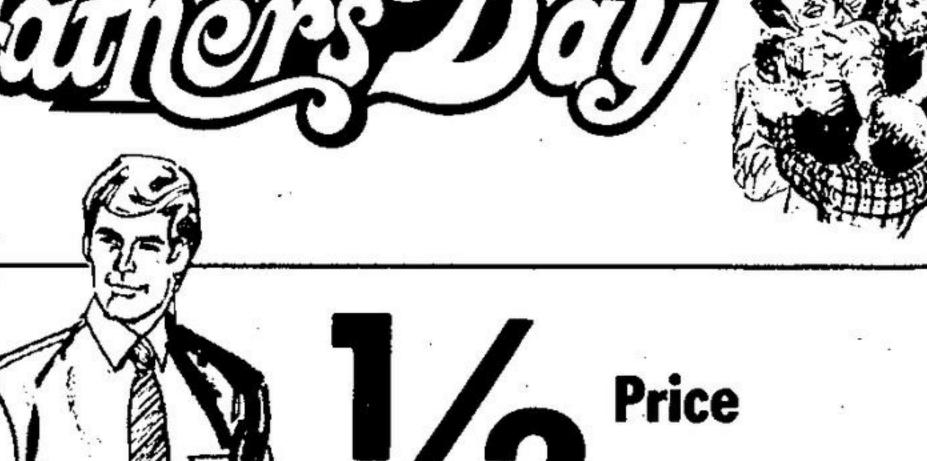
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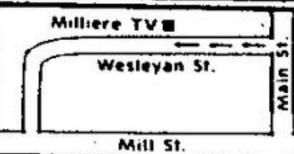
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